IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

NISHIOKA et al.

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Examiner: Ton, M.

Title: OPTICAL ELEMENTS (SUCH AS VARI-FOCAL LENS COMPONENT, VARI-FOCAL DIFFRACTIVE OPTICAL ELEMENT AND VARIABLE DECLINATION PRISM) AND ELECTRONIC IMAGE PICK UP UNIT USING OPTICAL ELEMENTS

August 22, 2001

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attached is Form PTO 1449 listing the enclosed document.

Request is hereby made under Rule 97(d) for consideration of the following IDS for which the requisite \$180 fee under Rule 17(p) is enclosed. Should that fee be missing or inadequate please charge the deficiency to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 050931/254750.

This IDS is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited along with an early action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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